

Cowbell Mar 22, 2010

ATTENDANCE: Bruce, Bob K. Sr., Lou, Robert L., Frank, Harley, Donna, Wendy, April, Robert Jr., Rhoda.

I believe Roger won the 50/50.

Bob K. Introduced our guest speaker: Eric Cunningham, Mayor of Sussex Corner. Population: 1400.

Eric surprisingly let us know that we were his first group ever in 12 years that he has spoken for and was very happy to do so.

The first thing he said to us as a group was his appreciation for Rotary in his village.

He gave some history on the Village of Sussex Corner, it started in the mid 1700 when the Loyalist came to settle. Many people don't realize that Sussex Corner was here before Sussex Vail which we now call Sussex. There is still evidence of the beginning of Sussex Corner there, for example, Cogle Rd is named after Capt. John Cogle a Loyalist from the USA & Leonard Drive after Dr. Leonard their first MLA.

The Ice Cream cone was invented in Sussex Corner. They still have pancake suppers @ many events at the old rink. They became incorporated in 1966 with a \$500 budget; they just cleared their 2010 budget for \$1,000,000. The town has 5 full time and several seasonal and summer student employees.

His passion is population growth in Sussex Corner, newcomers residential and business alike.

He said that there is room for tourism with the Bluff which is in Sussex Corner. He is also very proud of the volunteers, church suppers and variety shows that they have every year.

He has been on a recreation council working on a recreation agenda for the past year. Lou asked about the shape of the old rink and any plans to refurbish it.

Eric said that due to the rink being in a flood zone, there is many restrictions on rebuilding by-laws and that they have been considering other locations for some form of new rink in Sussex Corner.

Bruce N. thanked Eric.

We amended the agenda to include the following:

Bob K. opened the floor to discuss having a Rotary Minute every meeting as suggested at the Camp Fire meeting at his home on the 9th of March. The Rotary Minute can be about Rotary Sussex, District, National, International, Past, Present & Future (anything Rotary). The members agreed in the value of having this as a part of every meeting.

We had 2 motions on the floor, the first was moved by Bob K. and Seconded by Andrew Palmer and the second motion was Moved by Bob K. and Seconded by Robert K. All members were in favor of both.

1. Election of Lou to Board for balance of 2010 Rotary year

I move that Lou McNamara be appointed a Director and President- Elect of the Rotary Club of Sussex Inc., for the balance of Rotary year 2010.

2. Nominating Report- 2010-2011

On behalf of the nominating committee for the Rotary Club of Sussex Inc., I present the following slate of Officers and Directors for the Rotary year July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. This slate will be advertised per the by-laws for three consecutive meetings, starting with today's meeting.

Past President: Frank Derrah
President: Lou McNamara
President – Elect: Robert J. Kimball Sr.
Vice President: Kim Pearson
Secretary: Robert E. Kimball Jr.
Treasurer: Barbara Crowe

Are there any other nominations from the floor?
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Respectfully submitted,

Bob K. can take the member satisfaction survey once completed if Kim is not available at the next meeting.

Wendy is going to look into prices for possibly getting Rotary table tent cards to replace our placemats as they will not have to be thrown out after every use.

Robert E. Kimball